

## State of Utah Department of Commerce Division of Public Utilities

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## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Public Service Commission

From: Division of Public Utilities

Chris Parker, Director

Bill Duncan, Telecommunications / Water Manager Casey J. Coleman, Utility Technical Consultant

**Date:** March 29, 2017

**Re:** In the Matter of the Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink QC

and New Horizons Communications Corp. per Docket No. 17-049-01.

## **RECOMMENDATION** (Acknowledge):

The Division recommends that the Commission acknowledge the receipt of this Local Service Platform Agreement.

## **EXPLANATION:**

On or about February 24, 2017, Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC ("CenturyLink") filed the Local Services Platform Agreement per the above-referenced docket in accordance with § 54-8b-2.2(1) (d) of the *Utah Code*. This Agreement had been fully executed through voluntary negotiations on January 9, 2017 with Clear Rate Communications, Inc. ("Clear Rate").

The Division has reviewed the above-mentioned Agreement between CenturyLink and Clear Rate and sees no reason to reject it. Specifically, the Division believes that the Agreement was negotiated in good faith and without unfair discrimination. Both parties also recognize that, to the extent that the existing rules are changed, vacated, dismissed, stayed or modified, this Agreement and all contracts adopting all or part of this Agreement will be amended to reflect such modification or change of the existing rules. Therefore, the Division recommends that the Commission acknowledge the receipt of this Local Service Platform Agreement.

cc: Diane Roth, Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC
Justin Jetter, Assistant Attorney General, State of Utah
Sam Namy, Chief Financial Officer, Clear Rate Communications, Inc.

